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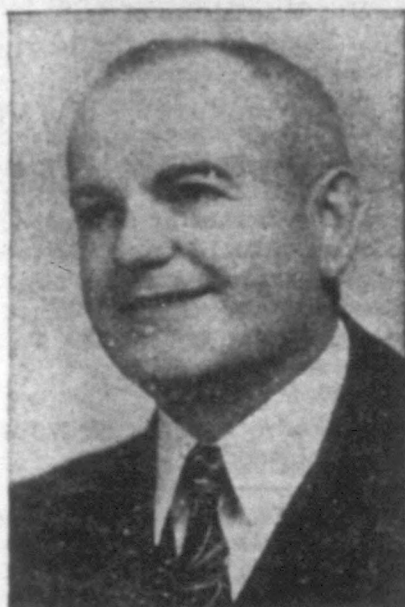
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F. K. HORTON TO SPEAK ON MISS. RADIO HOUR



DR. F. K. HORTON

Dr. F. K. Horton, pastor of the Clarksdale Church, will be the speaker on the Mississippi Radio Hour Sunday afternoon, March 6, at 2:30 CST over the following stations:

WSLI, Jackson; WCBI, Columbus; WMOX, Meridian; WROB, West Point; WELO, Tupelo; WROX, Clarksdale; WLAU, Laurel; WHOC, Philadelphia; WLOX, Biloxi; WAPF, McComb; KWEM, West Memphis; WJMB, Brookhaven.

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Cooperative Program Committee Meets

The Cooperative Program Committee of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board met in regular session at the Baptist Building in the office of the Executive Secretary, Dr. Charles Treadway, pastor, First Baptist Church, Cleveland, was elected chairman and William P. Davis, Assistant Executive Secretary of the Convention Board, was elected secretary.

Progress of the Cooperative Program was studied especially with reference to increase or decrease of receipts from the churches. Brother Davis reported that up to February 19, the re-

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Committee Recommends Admission Of Washington And Oregon Churches

MEMPHIS, Tenn. —(BP)— A special Southern Baptist Convention committee named last year to study the petition of Washington and Oregon churches for admission to the Southern Convention will recommend that the churches be admitted.

Dr. C. C. Warren of Charlotte, N. C., chairman of the committee, announced the decision after a special meeting of the group here. Their recommendation will be carried to the meeting of the Convention in Okla-

Organization Completed For Woman's College Campaign



DR. I. E. ROUSE

General Director Woman's
College Campaign



DR. JAMES W. PARRISH

Publicity Director Woman's
College Campaign

GOAL IS \$225,000 ON ONE DAY, APRIL 17

Dr. Rouse Directs Campaign

Mississippi Woman's College has completed the organization for the endowment campaign. Upon the basis of the authorization of the Baptist Convention last November, the Trustees of Mississippi Woman's College instructed Dr. I. E. Rouse, President, Mississippi Woman's College, to set up an organization for the promotion of the endowment drive and gathering of the \$225,000 additional endowment needed by Mississippi Woman's College as a minimum requirement for financial security. At a recent meeting of the district chairmen in Jackson at the Baptist Building, steps were taken for the completion of an over-all organization. Certain procedures were also set up to cover matters of publicity and information required to inform the people as to what is expected, how much is expected, and when.

It was unanimously the belief of the general organization that Mississippi Baptists could and would give the

\$225,000 on any day they gave themselves to the task. April 17 was designated Victory Day and all churches were to be asked to set aside that day to make immortal Mississippi Woman's College. It was pointed out that the Lord, Jesus Christ, having died once for all, and having risen from the grave, sits on the seat of authority until He shall have finished His work. Easter Sunday, the day commonly observed as resurrection day, was chosen to make secure a great institution that it no longer suffer suspension, but should rise step by step to serve a great section of our state.

The organization, completed, is as follows: I. E. Rouse, General Director; L. O. Crosby, Chairman, Special Gifts Committee; and J. W. Parrish, Church Publicity and Promotion.

Every district and county chairman is a pastor. One basic conception underlying the entire program is that

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SBC Mission Officials Visit South America

Hungarian Gov't. Cracks Down On Mindszenty Supporters

VIENNA —(RNS)—Retaliatory measures are being taken by the Hungarian government against persons who refused to sign petitions demanding the death sentence for Joseph Cardinal Mindszenty or were guilty of other "political offenses" in connection with the cardinal's trial, according to refugees who have fled here from Hungary.

They reported that about 300 Mindszenty sympathizers have been discharged from civil service positions or jobs in nationalized industries and are now awaiting internment in forced labor camps or possible deportation to concentration camps in Russia.

Several well-informed refugees declared that many priests, nuns, Catholic teachers, and other anti-Communists have been hidden by farmers, but since the Mindszenty verdict Communist surveillance has been extended so efficiently that no farmer now dares offer shelter to any of the cardinal's adherents.

RICHMOND Va. —(BP)— Dr. M. Theron Rankin, executive secretary of the Baptist Foreign Mission Board has returned after a two-weeks visit to Baptist missions in Costa Rica, Colombia, and Venezuela.

He participated in the organizational meeting of the Colombo-Venezuelan Baptist Convention at Barranquilla February 9-11, when more than 200 delegates of the "younger" churches of San Andres Island, Colombia, and Venezuela united in fellowship and service, with the pastor of the First Baptist Church of Caracas as the first president.

Dr. Everett Gill, Jr., the Board's Latin American secretary, who was one of the party of four from Richmond in attendance upon the convention, made the opening address in Spanish. Dr. Frank K. Means, secretary of missionary education and promotion, also addressed the convention. Rev. Fon H. Scofield, director of visual education, was present to make a motion picture of the sessions, which were held in the First Baptist Church of Barranquilla, with capacity crowds exceeding 1,200 at the evening sessions.

ORGANIZATION COMPLETED

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our denominational program is a Pastoral leadership matter. The County Chairmen will have supervision of the work among the churches in their respective counties. They are to ask that the pastor associate with him the Deacons, the Sunday School Superintendent, the B. T. U. Director, the W.M.U. President, and the Brotherhood Director, as an informational, educational committee.

It is assumed that when Baptists are informed on any Baptist program, they are interested, and, when interested, will respond. It is the purpose of this program to reach every single Baptist by proper information. When this is done, it is understood that Victory is inevitable. Envelopes have been printed, posters are in process. By Easter, April 17, we trust God's spirit shall have prepared us for a great Victory. Why not?

DISTRICT I, John Landrum, Chairman, Canton.

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Madison County, C. O. Estes, Canton.

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Chickasaw County, D. D. Satterwhite, Houston.

Itawamba and Tishomingo Counties, E. D. Estes, Fulton.

Lee County, W. L. Day, Tupelo.

Monroe County, C. W. Thompson.

FOREIGN MISSION BOARD OFFICIALS RIDE OX CART



Foreign Board Photo by Betty Fitzgerald

Pontotoc County, J. W. Henry, Pontotoc.
Tippah County, C. J. Smyly, Blue Mountain.
Union County, J. R. Davis, New Albany.

DISTRICT V

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COUNTY CHAIRMEN:

Noxubee County, R. D. Pearson, Macon.

Lowndes County, E. Z. Stevens, East End Church, Columbus.

Clay County, Carey Cox, West Point.

Oktibbeha County, Wilburn S. Smith, Starkville.

Winston County, J. S. Johnson, Noxapater.

Webster County, J. R. Reedy, Eupora.

Choctaw County, Ira F. Metts, Ackerman.

Attala County, Paul Bard, Ethel.

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E. L. Byrd, Chairman

COUNTY CHAIRMEN:

Smith County, Quentin Floyd, Raleigh.

Scott County, R. Y. Gerrard, Morton.

Newton County, R. A. Morris, Newton.

Lauderdale County, Paul Horner, Meridian.

Clarke County, Solie Smith, Stonewall.

Kemper County, C. O. Weaver, Dekalb.

Leake County, G. O. Parker, Carthage.

Neshoba County, Morris Q. Geer, Philadelphia.

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COUNTY CHAIRMEN:

Ovington County, J. Reese Rogers, Collins.

Forrest County, Troy Sumrall.

Jones County, J. W. Parrish, Laurel.

George County, Fred Mosley, Lacedale.

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Jackson County, J. F. Brock, Moss Point.

Hancock County, John Deering, Bay St. Louis.

Harrison County, G. C. Hodge, Biloxi.

Pearl River County, Judson Chastain, Poplarville.

Lamar County, J. W. Wood, Lumberton.

Stone County, R. P. Butler, Wiggins.

Wayne County, E. F. Hicks, Waynesboro.

DISTRICT VIII

E. C. Edwards, Chairman

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Waltham County, Ray F. Dykes, Tyler town.

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Marion County, James Horton, Columbia.

Jeff Davis County, Joe Hudson, Bassfield.

Franklin and Adams Counties, E. T. Bishop, Meadville.

Jefferson County, J. L. Clark, Fayette.

Claiborne County, A. L. Chumbley, Port Gibson.

Pike County, N. F. Davis, Summit.

Lawrence County, G. D. Flynt, Silver Creek.

When the Baptist Foreign Mission Board executive secretary and three associates landed February 7 in San Jose, Costa Rica, they were met by Home Board Missionary Van Earl Hughes with an oxcart. The local daily paper considered it front page news, and published their picture under the caption "In the Ox Cart and ... Without Fussing."

North Americans abroad who do not complain of the facilities available are big news! On their way to Barranquilla for the organizational meeting of the Colombian Baptist Convention, Dr. M. Theron Rankin, Dr. Everett Gill, Jr., Dr. Frank K. Means, and Fon H. Scofield, Jr., visited Costa Rica to survey the opportunity of missions in this Spanish-language Central-American country.

The missionary, eager to help them make the most of their few hours in Costa Rica, "hit upon the plan of meeting them at the very modern airport in a typical ox-cart, for which Costa Rica is noted in all Latin America. It was a joyous time for us, for the custom officials, and for the employees of the airlines."

The Foreign Board guests were treated to a special program in the San Jose Baptist Church that evening. Over the platform was written in flowers the word Bienvenida ("welcome"). Representatives from all departments of the church took part in the program of welcome: the Brotherhood used the Christian flag; Woman's Missionary Union, the Costa Rican flag; Baptist Training Union, the Bible; Sunday school, a bouquet of flowers; the church officials, Bible quotations emphasizing Philipians 3:14.

Dr. Rankin visited Venezuela, the Foreign Board's newest field in South America, before he returned to Richmond February 21. Dr. Means continued south on a two-months' tour of South America, to return to the States in April.

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WAKE FOREST, OKTIBBEHA ORDAINS FOUR DEACONS

Wake Forest Church, Oktibbeha County, ordained the following as deacons on February 20: F. F. James, J. H. Shaw, J. V. Ellington and J. D. Ray.

The pastor, C. E. Snowden led in the examination. The Rev. C. S. Mullins preached the sermon and led the prayer, and the pastor gave the charge to the deacons and the church.

Wake Forest has recently placed chairs in the auditorium, replacing benches which were formerly used. The floors have been varnished and sanded. The church supports half-time work and each organization is well attended.

RIVERSIDE ASSOC. BWC ORGANIZES FEDERATION

On February 17 the Business Women's Circle of the Tunica Church entertained the Business Woman's Circles of the Riverside Association at a banquet. More than 100 were present, representing the Circles at Clarksdale, Marks, Lula and Crowder.

Special guests included Miss Edwina Robinson, Executive Secretary of the State W. M. U. and Advisor of the State B. W. C.; Miss Gladys Keith, Director of the Rachel Sims Mission in New Orleans; Mrs. J. A. Anderson, W. M. U. Superintendent, District II, and Mrs. Reid Moore of Jackson.

Miss Robinson gave the purpose of federation and presented the idea of the federation of Business Woman's Circles. The group decided to form a federation of the Circles in the Riverside Association. The following officers were elected by the federation: Chairman, Miss Joyce Farmer of Clarksdale; Co-Chairman, Miss LaVelle Coker of Tunica; Secretary-Treasurer, Miss Robbie Lee Gore of Marks; and Advisor, Mrs. C. E. Day of Marks.

Miss Gladys Keith brought the inspirational address.

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DES MOINES, IOWA —(RNS)— A BILL to allow private and parochial school pupils to ride in public busses was killed by the schools committee of the House. It received little discussion.

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COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

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ceipts were as large as the entire month of February last year. It was also pointed out that the Cooperative Program allocation for state causes of 55 per cent instead of 60 per cent, and south-wide causes of 45 per cent, instead of 40 per cent, reduces by five percent the amount to state causes, which means only a slight reduction when distributed among the several state causes.

Because the Cooperative Program is the vital life line of the entire missionary enterprise, the committee unanimously endorsed the idea of having a Cooperative Program edition of the Record and a special offering for the Cooperative Program, June 26, or thereabout. The committee is earnestly dedicated to increasing the Cooperative Program gifts from \$726,190.28 in 1948 to \$1,000,000 in 1949.

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Camp Ridgecrest for boys now in its twentieth year will open June 22 to boys eight to sixteen for a term of six weeks at the low rate of \$175.00 which covers accident and health insurance, laundry, aquatics, horseback riding, tennis, hiking, mountain climbing, sight-seeing riflery, archery, base ball and other outdoor sports as well as indoor games.

Located in the heart of the Blue Ridge mountains at the head of beautiful Royal Corge in "The Land of the Sky" at Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly it is under auspices of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. Our director is James R. Howlett, M. D. of New Orleans Baptist Seminary. Write for free catalogue. Address Perry Morgan, Business Manager, Ridgecrest, North Carolina.

Mississippi Baptists — Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails." I Corinthians 13:8

I
On Saturday, February 19th, the book-keeper told us we had received as much money for all the work of Christ as we received the entire month of February a year ago. Doxology!

Christ looks to us! Missionaries about us and around the world look to us!

It is said of Christ, "He shall not fail!" Isaiah 42:4. We must not fail Him of them!

The work of Christ must go on apace! He has not failed us! We must not fail Him!

Enlarge your Cooperative Program contributions. Our State work needs more as it gets 5 per cent less this year! All the world needs more! God's people have enough for His work! Let us give it unto Him!

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PROMOTIONAL PLANS

During the last ten months, we have given ourselves to a study and restudy of records, bookkeeping, and finances. We have made it very much of a personal study. We have had Miss Tyler, an unusually fine bookkeeper, to make a recapitulation on various financial schedules for the last five years. Last year we had our auditor make a recapitulation along the same line. Long and short financial schedules were studied. Book-keeping methods were studied with the aim of making improvements. Files and other records were carefully studied.

The results of this thorough study and the several reviews have been very gratifying to us and others in official positions.

While busily engaged in the above, we naturally had to slack off in promotional work. We have not sent out the usual amounts of informational and inspirational materials to our people, and the work has felt the effects of it. Do not get the idea, however, that the let down has been too great, for on the 19th of February, we had received as much money for all the work as we received during all of February in 1948. Soul winning processes are working at a high rate also.

However, we are happy to report plans completed for the greatest promotional effort in which we have ever participated.

First of all, Brother William F. Davis, Assistant, is proving a tremendous help in the work. He was a heroic chaplain, first of all spiritually, and in actual combat, and the fires of courage burn in his soul. He is everybody's friend. He is faithful in the work.

Second, we are delighted to report the employment of Mrs. Hester S. Donaldson as assistant bookkeeper. She is sister of Dr. Ira B. Seale, Holly Springs, one of the best known and best loved laymen in the state — a great family. In government service, Mrs. Donaldson was awarded the excellent rating throughout her tenure of service in the Accounting and Auditing Department. She is a fine Christian character.

Miss Mary Alice Fancher, daughter of a banker and our church treasurer at Coffeeville, has been employed as book-keeper and later, mailing superintendent, in the Baptist Record Mailing Department. She succeeds Mrs. Matthews, deceased. She has been an outstanding Christian leader during her college years.

Miss Eunice Sandlin has been employed to come to the Promotional Department, succeeding personnel lost to our staff. Miss Sandlin is splendidly qualified for this particular type service and her coming assures an added flow of materials, information and inspiration to 350,000 Mississippi Baptists.

Thus, you see our statement is not an idle one, that great days are upon us and great things are ahead.

In expressing appreciation we would put right at the top for loyalty and service, office secretaries in the persons of

Miss Ernestine Cooper, Mrs. Ennabel Alexander, and Miss Mildred Sepp; Miss Lois Tyler, Mrs. Sallie Campbell, Mrs. B. L. Dildy, and Mr. J. E. Lane, book-keepers; and, Mailing Department workers in the persons of Mrs. L. R. Williams, Miss Margaret Cloud, Miss Bernice McInnis, Mrs. Tom Temple, along with several special helpers.

MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS ARE ON THE MARCH!

III

Peaks of Progress in Mississippi Baptist Life

In Mississippi Baptist life, so far as we recall, we have never presented a schedule of Mississippi Baptist contributions for all purposes over a period of years. We are doing that now, and again we think you will find the picture very inspiring. You will keep in mind that these figures for Mississippi Baptist contributions for all purposes include the local church, association, state and Southern Baptist Convention. The schedule follows:

1937	— \$1,368,464.55
1938	— \$1,484,803.95
1939	— \$1,508,439.95
1940	— \$1,634,657.39
1941	— \$1,911,621.55
1942	— \$2,161,727.89
1943	— \$2,856,046.37
1944	— \$3,457,146.96
1945	— \$4,496,969.00
1946	— \$5,783,115.00
1947	— \$6,266,363.00
1948	— \$7,388,343.00

Our tithe \$15,000,000. Our offerings \$

IV

We regret the resignation of Dr. B. C. Land as Foundation Secretary. We have enjoyed serving with him. He makes the third secretary in about four or five years of the life of the Foundation and we are sure that is changing too often for the largest fruits. We recognize it as a difficult task and one we would not want under any circumstances. We regret that the Executive Secretary and some of the trustees did not come before the Convention Board presenting an analysis of the situation.

Practically every phase of our work had been presented to us as needing or demanding more money. The only way for the work of Christ to have more money is for the people of Christ to bring their tithes and offerings to the house of the Lord and then for leaders to see that it gets to the most needy places.

V

In January, we had the privilege of speaking at the Virginia Evangelistic Conference. You will appreciate this Mississippi - Virginia testimony from Dr. Long: "Dear Dr. McCall:

The General Association of Virginia Baptists will convene November 9-11 at the First Baptist Church of Richmond. We would like so much to have you on our program for two different addresses. In an early part of the meeting, we would like to have you bring a brief message on the rural church, and then deliver the main address at the close of our session Friday morning, November 11, on evangelism.

You really made a hit with the Virginia brethren in Roanoke. Unfortunately, I was unable to attend but heard many fine echoes from your messages. We would like so much for you to accept this invitation."

VI

Fifth Avenue Baptist Church, Hattiesburg, Mississippi, Dr. J. C. Murphy, pastor, has joined many other dynamic churches and leaders in increasing the amount of their tithes and offerings through the Cooperative Program for all the work of Christ. Result: A recent monthly check was the largest in the

Rev. J. T. Renfro Accepts Pastorate Of Beacon Church

Rev. J. T. Renfro has resigned as County Missionary in Jones County Association in order to accept the pastorate of Beacon Church, Laurel.

Mr. Renfro came to Jones County as missionary from the pastorate at Shaw, where he had served for several years. He succeeds Rev. H. L. Courtney, who recently resigned to return to Bogalusa as pastor of the church which he left to come to Laurel.

history of the church.

Pastor N. F. Davis, Jr., dynamic leader of the saints at Summit, writes joyfully that his church will be sending twice as much through the Cooperative Program as was sent last year. Doxology!

About the same time, it was called to our attention that Durant Baptist Church, Rev. C. M. Day, pastor, had also had an outstanding month in Cooperative Program contributions. Such leadership and such life make for victory.

VII

Our banking for these ten years has been done, first, with Jackson State National Bank along with Capital National Bank, both of Jackson. We wish to express appreciation to them for their friendly, courteous, and helpful service through the years. We feel we know quite well many of the employees, from the presidents on to other personnel. They are splendid people.

In the consolidation of the two banks into the First National, we wish them every success and look forward to a continued happy relationship with them.

VIII

As Dr. Joe T. Odle observes his second anniversary at First Baptist Church, Gulfport, they have experienced 530 additions to the church, raised \$137,100, and added to their properties. Congratulations!

We had a good meeting of the State Secretaries at the Edgewater Gulf Hotel. The attendance was unusually large and the spirit unusually good. Attendees from Washington, D. C., to California, inclusive, were voluminous in expressions of praise for the meeting place, the entertainment, and the spirit of the meeting. They are great fellow workers in His service.

We are greatly indebted to First Baptist Church, Biloxi, Dr. G. C. Hodge, pastor, for entertaining the pastors and their wives of the coast section at an enjoyable meal Tuesday evening.

We enjoyed the prayer meeting hour Wednesday evening at First Baptist Church, Gulfport, Dr. Joe T. Odle, pastor.

MARCUS SMITH ORDAINED AT DECATUR CHURCH



MARCUS SMITH

On Sunday February 6th Clarke-Venable Memorial Church at Decatur ordained Marcus Smith to the full work of the Gospel Ministry.

Mr. Smith, who has served for a number of years as a deacon, is a grandson of Nathan Clarke, for whom the Decatur church was named.

At the invitation of the church the pastors of Newton County came together to form the presbytery which met before the ordination service. Rev. W. A. Hogan, former pastor, brought the ordination message.

Mr. Smith is now a senior at Mississippi College, and has recently accepted the pastorate of the Double Springs Church in Webster County. Other Churches may contact him at Mississippi College, Clinton. Mrs. Smith, nee Doris Tidwell of Lexington, is a graduate of Blue Mountain College and was formerly Baptist Student Secretary at East Central Junior College.

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A READER WRITES

Dear Editor:

May I express my appreciation of the splendid "Lord's Supper" editorial. It was a lucid and timely setting forth of this doctrine, to all of which I give my hearty amen!

Feel sure it will do good.

We look forward to the coming of the Baptist Record every Thursday with pleasure.

A Weekly Reader

A DIVISION OF LABOR

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"February 25, 1949

Rev. W. P. Davis,
Assistant Executive Secretary,
Baptist Building.

Dear Brother Davis:

Concerning our conversation yesterday, you will immediately assume the following responsibilities:

First, all bookkeeping in my three departments;
Baptist Record advertising;
Retirement Plan;
Baptist news service;

And, of course, continue general responsibilities in all the work.

Blessings upon you.

I am,

Your friend,
D. A. McCALL.

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P. S.—You will remember, also, you were happy to get out the statistical wall chart for the association, and promote the special Cooperative Program day, Sunday, June 26, by handling the special edition of The Baptist Record the first of June and preparing and distributing coin envelopes for that day."

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A Good Plan

On another page is an account of plans being made by Second Avenue Church, Laurel, to enlist the members of the church in church attendance.

Find that article now and read it carefully.

We commend this plan. Certainly we are for winning all the lost people that we possibly can, but while winning the lost we should also try to enlist the saved. We need to make every effort we can to enlist every member in some form of church activity. And the very first church activity should be church attendance. The truth of the matter is that church attendance will help to solve most of our problems. If we can get the folks to church we can enlist them in doing things. But if they never come it is almost impossible either to get them to do or give.

We like the Second Avenue plan.

—BR—

Comparative Figures

At the recent meeting of the Southern Baptist Press Association in Richmond, Va., John Jeter Hurt, Jr., editor of the Christian Index of Georgia and chairman of the survey committee presented some revealing figures concerning the various state papers. As most of the pastors and thousands of Mississippi Baptists including the various secretaries helped to make the outstanding record of the Baptist Record, there is given below some of the figures as presented by Editor Hurt.

Subscription costs ranged from a low of 94.5 cents per subscription per year in Mississippi to \$2.50 in New Mexico. The costs in other states were listed as follows: Alabama \$1.85; Arkansas \$1.86; Georgia \$1.80; Illinois \$1.78; Louisiana \$1.60; Maryland (monthly) \$1.05; Missouri \$1.77; North Carolina \$2.22; Oklahoma \$1.66; South Carolina \$1.44; Tennessee \$1.56;

Texas \$1.42.

According to the report, the various State Conventions made yearly grants to the papers as follows: Illinois \$6,000; Arkansas \$5,000; California \$11,000 (for 1949); Florida \$12,733; Georgia \$10,000; Kentucky \$10,000; Louisiana \$10,000; Maryland (monthly) \$1,000; Missouri \$15,000; New Mexico \$5 to \$8,000; North Carolina \$13,000; Oklahoma \$15,000; Tennessee \$46,079; Texas \$11,000.

The committee also reported that "all state grants are on an appropriation basis except North Carolina which pays 50c per Every Family subscription; South Carolina which pays 35c per subscription. No payment is made for departmental pages except in North Carolina which receives \$120 per week, South Carolina which receives \$400 per month and Tennessee which receives \$46 per column."

In Mississippi instead of the Baptist Record receiving a subsidy, last year the Mississippi Baptist Convention received from the Baptist Record \$14,401 which was the profit made by the Baptist Record.

Naturally all in Mississippi who love the Lord's work and who had anything to do with the Baptist Record from the Business Manager, Editor, Assistants, Mailing and Subscription Department employees, bookkeepers, faithful pastors and others who aided in promoting the Baptist Record are proud that a small profit was made. But if the Baptist Record was paid as some of the other papers are paid what a profit would have been shown.

For instance, in South Carolina the Convention Board pays 35c per subscription. This is in addition to the subscription price. Based on our present subscription list of approximately 63,500 thirty-five cents subsidy would have added \$22,225 to the income of the Baptist Record. Add to that the \$400 per month paid for departmental pages and the added income would total \$27,025. This would be over and above the actual profit of \$14,401 which was shown by the auditor's report.

It should be noted that approximately 90 per cent of the Baptist Record subscriptions are club or EVERY FAMILY subscriptions at the rate of \$1.00 per year. The actual cost of those subscriptions was 94 1-2 cents. It behooves every Mississippi Baptist to help keep the subscription at and above its present high level in order to show a profit and not a loss. A drop in the subscription list would soon show a loss and not a profit for the large subscription list helps produce the profit.

A Good Investment

Send your Sunday school superintendent and Training Union director to Ridgecrest. It will be money well spent. Ridgecrest will give them something worth more than mere dollars. Its inspiration and information will greatly increase the value of your Sunday school superintendent or Training Union director. If they are worth anything they are worth the small cost of a trip to Ridgecrest.

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Disciplinarians Grow

A group of people recently were discussing the various sects that are growing more active in religious circles throughout many sections of the nation. One presented the following thought from The Western Recorder.

Here is a startling paragraph from the pen of John W. Bradbury, Watchman-Examiner:

"It is common knowledge that the fastest growing Christian sect in this country is the Assembly of God. It is significant that their requirements for membership are the sternest of any we know. They require, and after a reasonable time expel those not meeting the requirements, that all members... not participate in any worldly affairs. Tithing is another requirement. Membership is not easily obtained, or kept. Commenting on a meeting of this denomination in their city, the Atlanta Constitution, Georgia, states: 'These requirements, we observe in all kindness, would empty many churches if rigidly enforced.' Rev. Paul Cook, speaking for the Convention, said they would have no reason for existence if the more established churches, such as the Presbyterians, Baptists, Methodists, and so on, lived up to their origins. 'We supply that fervor and zeal which all churches once had,' he said, 'but which they have lost in the attainment of social and financial power, and in the 'intellectual' religion which is an inevitable by-product of such power.' It is God's method to speak through many voices and through different forms. When the church goes worldly or coldly intellectual, He has again and again manifested Himself through spiritual channels capable of holy living and divine emotion. Is God speaking to the Christian churches of our land through such media as the Assemblies of God?"

The above named religious group and others like them, even with all their errors, demonstrate that churches and denominations lose heavily by relaxing standards of Christian behavior. Even the worldling admires the church that makes demands of

its members. Some of us have all too lightly pushed aside the charge often brought by sinners—"I'm as good as some of your church members." But way down in our hearts we know they have told the truth so far as behavior is concerned.

Sin can get a strangle hold. If a church, over a period, relaxes spiritual supervision—brotherly watchfulness—it will find it difficult to begin on any particular case. It would not know where to begin nor where to stop.

What about your community? What shall we as Baptists do? Shall we assume a haughty and disdainful attitude?

We think this article has food for solemn thought.

—BR—

Selected Editorial

Each week we will publish what we consider one of the best editorials coming to our attention.—
Editor.

Is This Evangelism?

A new type of evangelism is being introduced by the Episcopal Church. Rev. Henry Knox Sherill, presiding bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church, has announced that, as a part of an evangelistic campaign to bring 70,000,000 unchurched Americans into the Episcopal fold, weekly dramatic broadcasts will feature an evangelical appeal.

The acting is being produced with the co-operation of the Episcopal Actors Guild. The radio program will be under the general title of "Great Scenes from Great Plays." The first was offered on October 1 and was a presentation of the balcony scene from *Cyrano de Bergerac*, in which Walter Hampton gave the rendition. Following the exhibition, an invitation was given to the hearers to join the Episcopal Church. Bishop Sherill has high hopes, for he sent a long telegram to the eighty-seven Episcopal bishops in the United States, asking them to be prepared to welcome into the church "many thousands" of nonchurchgoing Americans, expected to seek spiritual sanctuary after hearing the new program.

We have long had the feeling that a lot of church people are using the term evangelism without thinking what its contents ought to be. There can be no evangelism without the "evangel"—which is the Gospel of Christ. There can be no "spiritual sanctuary" unless sinners admit the Spirit of God into their hearts and repent of their sins, accepting the provisions made for their redemption in our Lord Jesus Christ. Dramatics cannot be separated from that which is unreal. The souls of the lost must face realistically the facts of their lives and destinies. They are to be saved.—The Watchman-Examiner.

—BR—

DR. T. C. GARDNER OF TEXAS HAS been named chairman of the committee to discuss "Common Problems with Northern Baptists." Dr. W. R. White resigned from the committee during the long illness of Mrs. White.

CHICAGO — WITHDRAWAL OF ITS proposal to give clergymen a 25 per cent discount on flight tickets was announced here by United Airlines.

BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

Auber J. Wilds, State Secretary — Box 530, Jackson 105, Mississippi
Associates: W. C. Morgan, Louise Hill, Alene Johnson



AUBER J. WILDS

Meet The Training Union Staff:

Auber J. Wilds, since 1918 has served as State Training Union Secretary for the state of Mississippi and rejoices to report progress in Training Union work in the state consistently year by year. Beginning then with a hundred churches having training union work he has seen the churches include this vital part of church life until now we have a thousand churches with one or more training units, and about 900 of these with a Training Union that includes a director of the work in the church. Nearly every association is organized and doing some promotional work with a goodly number of them doing an outstanding job. Pastors are giving personal attention in the matter of the selection of leaders in their churches for training union and the result is a much better quality of work being done. Few churches can now say "The church gives the Training Union the leftovers" after all other important places have been filled in the church life. Training Union leadership in the churches is in the class with all other leaders.

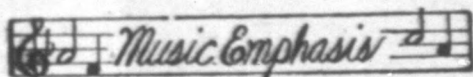
Perhaps the "big brag" of Mr. Wilds is his staff of workers. He says no finer group can be gotten together. They are consecrated, loyal, efficient, and untiring in their work, he says, all are willing to go the "second mile" to get the job done, forgetful of self in the interest of others. Mr. Wilds gives God credit for leading in all plans that have made for progress, and is willing to accept the blame for all errors. He expresses gratitude for the wonderful cooperation he has received through the years from pastors and churches alike, and says that this present year offers the greatest challenge he has yet faced.

Nineteen "D" Day Programs have been held and we have had no program that has been as practical and has reached as many people as these programs have. They are just what the name suggests (Demonstration Programs). The programs held on week nights last three hours, 6-9 and the ones on Sunday afternoons are two hours 2-4. On Sunday we do not have the fellowship hour of fun and food! and this hour has been a great hour every night. Here foolish songs are sung, magic is enjoyed, and Jerry, the "talking doll" performs then supper that is brought by those who attend. Then the demonstration of how

unions are organized, seated on Sunday, how the Sunday night program should be given, then the meeting of committees to plan the work, and the General assembly program is demonstrated. In the first 19 meetings we have reached nearly 4,000 people, an average of about 200 to the meeting. In six meetings more than 300 attended. The highest number in Laurel with 350, Crystal Spring 346, Picayune 329, Pascagoula 325, Salem, Covington Co. 325, Foxworth 316. The association having the largest percent of members attending was George. With only five churches in the association they had 274 present. Every church was well represented with the Barton church credited with even 100. 178 churches have been represented or an average of more than nine to the meeting. Pearl River led in number of pastors present, there were 21. Expressions of appreciation from pastors and other leaders saying this program is the most practical and therefore helpful of any we have promoted gives us the assurance that God led in the planning and is leading in the performing. We hope to serve every association in the state before the year is out.

Newton Co. Associational Training Union stages Pastor-Director Banquet

Under the planning and direction of Associational Director R. S. McCrory the pastors and directors in Newton enjoyed a delightful fellowship banquet given in the dining hall of Clarke Memorial College Newton Miss. on Monday night January 24th. There were 41 present and Mr. McCrory writes that "it was a decided success." Congratulations! There will be other associational directors following this idea.



MUSIC EMPHASIS

The February 10th issue of the Baptist Record carried a report of the Copiah County Hymn Singing Festival. This program of music proved to be very interesting, and is a good demonstration as to the possibility of such a program in each association in the state.

The same type of program was discovered in Pearl River County by members of the State Training Union Staff recently. This program of hymn singing was announced by the County Missionary who assists in promoting the festival. Only the regular Baptist hymnals are used as the Broadman Hymnal, The Voice of Praise, and the Coleman Quartet Books.

The hymn festival in Pearl River County is divided into two groups namely, the Northern Group and the Southern Group. This is an indication of the interest and growth of the program in the county.

Both the Copiah County and Pearl River Festivals have the full approval of the pastors. The pastors attend the meetings, sing in the choirs lead some of the singing, and sing with the men in the mens chorus. The meetings are held on Sunday afternoon. This avoids a conflict with the regular services of the churches.

Such a program as mentioned above

WOOD RESIGNS AT CARSON



REV. W. H. WOOD

The Rev. W. H. Wood has resigned the pastorate of the Carson Baptist Church effective April 1 to become associational missionary of Jasper County. He will devote half of his time to associational missions and the other half to the pastorate of the Sylwarena Church in Smith County.

Mr. Wood is a native of Smith County and married a Smith County girl, Miss Ora Gregg, the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. N. K. Gregg of Taylorsville. Soon after their marriage they moved to Jasper County where they lived as farmers for a number of years.

The Lord having called Bro. Wood into the Gospel ministry, they immediately surrendered their farming interest and entered Clarke Memorial College where he secured his diploma. He also has his degree from Mississippi College and has done correspondence work from the New Orleans seminary.

Mr. Wood has had several years of rich experiences as a successful pastor and evangelist. He will maintain headquarters in Bay Springs where he will establish residence after the first of April.

During Mr. Wood's two years at Carson much progress was made, the Church building was screened, the furniture all varnished, more than 100 new Broadman Hymnals purchased, a cooling system installed, new rugs placed on the floors and in the aisles, a new educational annex consisting of four new class rooms, two rest rooms, a pastor's office, a kitchen, and a library completed. A deep well was installed for adequate water supply for the church and the pastor's home. A Church bus operates every Sunday to bring the people to the services. The Church has done all this without any indebtedness.

The Church went to full time the first of 1948, and there have been sixty-five additions to the Church and one young man has been licensed to preach. The Sunday School has reached the standard both years, and the B. T. U. has secured the County associational attendance banner for twenty one of the twenty four months that they were together.

has the full approval of the State Department, and support will be offered for the development of such a program provided the associations desiring such support will continue to use the regular baptist hymnals. Good church Music promotes the Motto: "Let All the People Sing."

Laurel Church Plans Attendance Campaign

Second Avenue Church, Laurel, Rev. J. H. Street, pastor, is planning to enlist every resident member in church attendance. The church has voted to emphasize church attendance during March, April and May. The slogan selected is "Love thy neighbor."

Plans have been made to check the attendance of members at each morning service during the three months period. At the end of the time a list will be carefully prepared of those who have not attended, or who have only come infrequently and a committee will call upon them, urging them to renew their cooperation with the church especially in regular attendance.

The resolutions adopted by the church are as follows:

1. That the church conduct a period of emphasis on church attendance in the months of March, April and May, 1949, giving special attention to brothers and sisters who do not come to church at all, although apparently able to attend. The slogan of this campaign will be "Love Thy Neighbor"; and all efforts are to be put forth in the spirit of love and prayer. The campaign is to be directed by the pastor and all church workers are asked to give the movement their loyal support and cooperation.

2. That at the close of the campaign a list be carefully prepared of those who have not attended or who have come only infrequently, who by their own statement were able and in position to attend, and that representatives appointed by the church, in addition to the pastor, visit these members and lovingly and prayerfully urge them to renew their cooperation with the church, especially in regular attendance.

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GULFPORT SUMMARIZES TWO YEARS' PROGRESS Odle Has 2nd Anniversary

February 20 was the second anniversary of Rev. Joe T. Odle in the pastorate of First Church, Gulfport. Under his leadership progress has been noted in every phase of the church program.

During the two years there have been 537 additions 141 by baptism, which is an average of more than five per Sunday. The present membership is 2,150.

Offerings for all causes total \$137,061, of which \$67,000 was for the building fund and \$20,000 was for missions.

Marked progress has been made in building enlargement and improvement. The auditorium has been completely renovated, the Intermediate building has been erected, and the Elementary Building is under construction. Building improvements will have cost almost \$125,000 when they are completed this year.

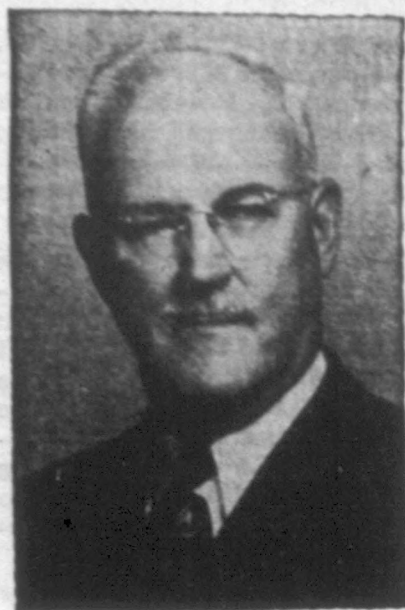
The Sunday school enrolment has increased more than 300, the Training Union more than 100, and the WMU. 100. The Brotherhood was reorganized and is doing splendid work.

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THE BAPTIST RECORD HAS RECEIVED a copy of the minutes of the Marion Association from the moderator, Rev. E. L. Howell. The minutes are well prepared and the printers did a good job.

SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary
MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary
MRS. F. C. FRENCH, Office Secretary



DR. HOMER L. GRICE

Dr. Homer L. Grice, secretary of Vacation Bible school work, of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., will be at our Mississippi Sunday School Convention in Columbus, March 8-9, to help us with this very vital part of our program.

Dr. Grice is the only secretary this department of work has ever had, having been with the Board since 1925. We know that hundreds of interested Vacation school workers will want to hear Dr. Grice.

THAT MORE PEOPLE MAY BE REACHED

Dr. Wm. P. Phillips says: "The chief advocate for expanding the organization of the Sunday school should be teachers and members of Adult classes. They know that more classes increase the school's enrolment and provides an outlet for service to those who should be used and developed thereby."

Mr. J. N. Barnette says: "The Convention's enrolment goal for this year is 600,000, a gain of 15 per cent. Two out of three adults are not enrolled now. Yours is one of 100,000 Adult classes. Will you increase your enrolment by six and then go on?"

Dr. McGlothlen says: "Reaching and teaching more people is a biblical concept. Many of these lessons on the life of Christ will indicate his concern that his followers reach out in ever-enlarging circles to influence the lives of others."

"Southern Baptists' most efficient out-reaching agency is the Sunday school. We are in a campaign to add 600,000 new members. Adults will provide 125,000 of that number."

"With the inspiration of the new year to challenge us and with the popularity of lessons on the life of Christ to inspire us, these goals should be reached and far surpassed."

DID YOU KNOW THAT

Southern Baptist Sunday school enrolment has grown from less than two million in 1920 to more than four and one-quarter million in 1948?

It surely has, and there is a reason. In fact, there are several reasons for this splendid growth.

Also, that the 303,669 Sunday school net gain and the 312,246 baptisms by the churches for last year are significant? They two go up and down together.

To baptize more people, get them



MR. PAUL D. BOOTHE

Mr. Paul D. Boothe, associate state Sunday school secretary, will direct the Extension Department conferences at our Mississippi Sunday School Convention at Columbus, March 8-9.

Mr. Boothe is a Th. M. graduate of the Department of Religious Education, of the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, and is well qualified to help our Extension workers in the important ministry of taking the Sunday school to those who cannot attend the Sunday sessions.

DR. LAND RECONSIDERS, STAYS WITH FOUNDATION

Dr. B. C. Land who recently offered his resignation as Secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Foundation has reconsidered and plans to continue his work with the Foundation.

Although recently offered an attractive position in another state, he feels that he should not leave at this time. His letter follows:

To the Baptists of Mississippi:

Some weeks ago, I tendered my resignation to the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees of the Baptist Foundation, effective April 1. Since that time, due to the earnest request of the Foundation Trustees, the insistence of the Foundation and of the Cause, pastors, friends of the Foundation and of the Cause, pastors from every section of the state and many Convention Board Members, I have reconsidered and will remain on at a nominal salary keeping oversight of the office, doing what I can to further Foundation work, and at the same time being left free to hold meetings and do whatever the Lord gives me to do, until such time as other arrangements can be made.

I am now in a Stewardship Revival with the First Baptist Church of Crossett, Arkansas, Rev. J. W. Buckner, pastor. The meeting will close here March 6.

Believing that God does hear and answer prayer, and asking that you join me, praying that His will may be done and the name of Jesus glorified, I am

Very sincerely yours,
B. C. LAND

ATLANTA, GA. — (RNS) — A SCHOOL-teacher who wanted to be a missionary will be the first woman preacher licensed by The Methodist Church in Georgia. Miss Ruth Rogers, of East Point, is the precedent-breaker. The Atlanta East District of the North Georgia Methodist Conference is expected to grant her license.

In Sunday school. That's the formula that never fails year after year.

BAPTIST STUDENT UNION

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MAN CANNOT CONTROL WAR;
NEITHER CAN HE LIMIT LOVE. The history of the human race from here on out will be written in terms of which force commands man's chief allegiance. — Chas. A. Wells. . . Dr. Samuel Maddox, Dr. John D. Freeman, and Missionaries Ira I. and Mrs. Marks are to appear at Blue Mt. during Mission Week, Mar. 20-23. . . There are more than 17 quadrillion ways to earn an A. B. degree. Among the 11,031 institutions granting degrees in the United States, no two agree on academic requirements—not even church related denominational colleges. — Clarence E. Lovejoy. . . Sylvia Burr, of Blue Mt., our last summer's missionary to California, writes that "it certainly is a wonderful opportunity for the student and helps meet some of the tremendous missionary needs." The campaign is on! Miss. hopes to send out three students to work in Hawaii, San Andres Island, Alaska. We need \$1500 to do this. We now have \$116.46. Deadline on volunteers for this work is April 1, for contributions, May 1. . . Electricity travels 11,600,000 miles a minute, arriving 59 seconds behind town gossip. — Ronald H. Furse. . . Was blessed by hearing Dr. W. A. Criswell in the opening service of the Clinton revival recently. . . The three most difficult things even for a

Christian to say are: I was wrong, I am sorry, Forgive me. . . Bob Denny; Dr. William Denham, First Church, Macon, Ga.; Dr. John L. Hill; Bill Weaver; Bob Norman, of Ala.; Frances Barbour; Chester Quarles, Sylacauga, Ala.; Riley Monday, and Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Todd, of Ouachita College, are on Clarke College's Focus Week team. . . The city of Pittsburgh advertised for a street sweeper and a naturalist. The former had to have an 8th-grade education; the latter a college diploma in natural science. The salaries: for the street sweeper, \$4,177 a year; for the naturalist, \$2,329. — Harold Helfer. . . It is criminal if we lose a generation of youth because we fail to do our best for them. We dare not lose them. — Andrew Potter. . . This month: election of officers on most campuses. Pray without ceasing. . . The Student Service Division of the Lutheran National Council has allocated \$787,500 during 1949-50 for student centers at 37 schools in 22 states. Building programs are planned costing \$1,882,218. . . State Convention: Oct. 28-30, place not yet known. We have received one invitation. . . Gibbon, the great English historian, began his studies at seventeen, and at twenty-four was publishing his historical work. . . You can't decide how important a man's trip is by the dust he stirs up. — R. T. Skinner. . .

S. B. Foundation Names Dr. Bolton Secretary



DR. C. H. BOLTON

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BP) — Dr. Charles H. Bolton, pastor of the Riverside Baptist Church of Miami, Fla., was elected executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Foundation at its annual meeting in Nashville, February 23.

Dr. Bolton, if he accepts the position, will set up offices in Nashville for the solicitation and investment of trust funds for Southern Baptist institutions and agencies.

The Southern Baptist Foundation

was established by the Southern Baptist Convention in 1947, and Dr. Duke K. McCall, executive secretary of the Convention's Executive Committee, has served temporarily as executive secretary until the organization was completed at the annual meeting. Dr. Bolton will be the first full-time executive of the organization.

Dr. Bolton has been pastor of Riverside Baptist Church in Miami since July 1944. He was pastor of the West Palm Beach Baptist Church, 1927-39; associate secretary of the Baptist Relief and Annuity Board at Dallas, 1939-41; executive secretary of the Florida Baptist Convention, 1941 until he moved to the Miami church. He is a former president of the Florida Baptist Convention, is trustee of Stetson University, a member of the Executive Committee and the Board of Directors of the Florida Baptist Convention, and a member of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee.

W. Maxey Jarman, chairman of the board of General Shoe Corporation, was reelected president of the Foundation. Other officers are L. L. Gellerstedt, Atlanta vice-president; Raymond Rogers, Nashville, secretary, and Duke K. McCall, Nashville, treasurer. Jack C. Massey, Nashville, was elected chairman of the executive committee which superintends all investments.

HEAR:

DR. DONALD GREY BARNHOUSE

Pastor, Bible Conference Speaker,
Editor: "Revelation" Magazine

WRBC -- Jackson, Miss. -- 620 on Dial

Beginning Sunday - March 6th
12:30 Noon

-- Woman's Missionary Union --

President—Mrs. Wilma B. Sledge, Jackson; Exec. Sec'y—Miss Edwina Robinson
Young People's Sec'y. — Miss Nell Taylor

You will note from the allocations of our 1949 Annie Armstrong Offering for Home Missions, an item of \$25,000 for Student Summer Workers. This work is done by College and Seminary Students who are volunteers for mission work. The following article is written by Helen Dale Armstrong, one of our Mississippi girls, who is a student at our W. M. U. Training School. She worked with the Indians in New Mexico last summer, as a Student Missionary under the Home Mission Board and gives us something of her work with them.

"Thank you for the Bible School!" Big black eyes filled with tears looked up into my own and brought an answering tug from my heart. Along with the dark eyes were the bronzed features, straight black hair, gleaming white teeth of a little Indian girl in New Mexico. This bright little Navajo girl had attended every session of a Vacation Bible School sponsored by our Baptist Home Mission Board and had come to know Jesus as her Savior through that school.

The Indians of the southwest, one of the groups with which our missionaries in the homeland work, are indeed a fascinating group of people. They wear unique, colorful dress; they weave beautiful rugs of wool from their own sheep; they also weave baskets of grass, make lovely things with beads, and mold, bake, and paint pottery according to secret skills handed down from generation to generation. They speak difficult, queer-sounding languages (each tribe speaks a different one.)

They are almost a forgotten people—certainly a neglected one. Some of them live in pueblos (villages) and others far out on the reservations in hogans (mud huts), widely scattered so that they can find grazing lands for their sheep. They do not trust the white man; they do not want to learn his language and give up their ancient rites for our way of life. Neither can we blame them for their attitude; white civilization has brought to them disease, drunkenness, and poverty.

Their religion is a religion of fear—fear of evil spirits, fear of darkness, fear of the dead. They do not have the words "soul," "heaven," or "Jesus" in their own language. It is difficult for them to understand our religion, yet numbers of them have accepted Christ. It is hard for them to give up their tribal religion and face persecution. It is hard for them to live a Christian life in the midst of paganism with no example before them except the lives of the missionaries. So it is that our missionaries have a very difficult task to bring to this "forgotten peoples of our southland. But His love for all people.

Yet how grateful we are for men and women who are willing to live in hard situations and uncomfortable conditions in order that the Indians might come to know the Jesus way and have guidance as they walk in the "Jesus road." Southern Baptists have sent missionaries to establish mission stations, start Sunday Schools, hold revivals teach Vacation Bible Schools, work painstakingly through interpreters and with the supplies and equipment furnished them to bring

those who have a religion of fear a religion of love.

How grateful we are that Southern Baptists have "remembered" the forgotten people of our southland. But what of the thousands that our limited number of missionaries, funds, and equipment have been unable to reach? If they are forgotten, it is not because God's love has failed; it is because God's people have not shown their love for him enough. Will they in the future look at Southern Baptists with tears of gratitude in their eyes for the message sent to them, or will they never have a chance to know the meaning of that love? ? ?

ATTENTION

The Editor of SOUTHERN BAPTIST HOME MISSIONS writes that the March issue is beautiful and informing! There are eight pages which set forth achievements and objectives of home missions. There is information about what home missions has done in the past six years and what its needs are for the next five years. The front cover is a reproduction of the likeness of Miss Annie Armstrong. This issue should reach you by the time you read this material. It should help in getting HOME MISSIONS before our people!

BARGAIN—what woman doesn't like one! If you send your subscription BEFORE April 1st you can secure the subscription for the present rate—25c per year. AFTER April 1st the rate doubles and is 50c per year. This is your way of knowing what is going on month by month in the Homeland.

40 & 25 Years Ago

BY REV. J. L. BOYD, SR.

40 YEARS AGO

The South McComb Church having been organized a year ago with twenty charter members had increased in the year to 130 members and 100 in Sunday school. A new house of worship had been built. Rev. J. H. Lane was the pastor.

The Utica Church had just let the contract for the building of a new pastor's home to cost \$2,000.

The Reporter of the First Baptist church, Meridian, says that they have "the most church house in the State," seating capacity 800, five hundred and fifty three members, Sunday school enrollment of 300. The teacher of the men's class was a young lawyer, A. H. Bozeman; and the fine choir led by "the inimitable Mrs. L. P. Joiner, the sweetest singer in the South." Dr. R. A. Venable was the pastor.

Pastor E. T. Mobberly "is much pleased with the reception which has been accorded him and his family" at Leland.

25 YEARS AGO

The Aberdeen church announces its purpose to build a \$65,000 house of worship, Rev. J. M. Walker, pastor.

The Morton Baptist church under the leadership of their pastor, Rev. R. L. Wallace, have finished their new house of worship costing \$16,000.

The Lowrey Memorial Church's new house of worship was dedicated on Jan. 17, Dr. W. T. Lowrey preaching the sermon.

Pastor R. L. Wallace of Morton writes of their first service in their new brick church house. — a large crowd of "happy people" and a "happy pastor."

GOING PLACES

BY A. L. GOODRICH

SOUTHEASTERN BAPTIST PASTORS CONFERENCE

We attended the February meeting of the Southeastern Baptist Pastors' Conference, which meets monthly at First Church, Laurel. This is one of our very best pastors conferences and they always have a good program and the fellowship is unsurpassed. We spoke to them on the subject of "Church Publicity." The brethren were most generous in their attention and in their remarks.

We missed the first half of the sermon by Pastor Anderson of Shubuta. But if the first half was as good as the last half which we did hear, it was an excellent sermon.

Dinner was served in the dining room of the First Church and this plan is much better than the old plan adjourning and going down town to eat.

Pastor James W. Parish of First Church, says that work is showing a slow, steady, sure growth in Sunday School, Training Union and the unit organizations. He is happy in the coming of Tom Draper as the educational secretary and Mrs. Draper has been added to the church staff as Record Secretary.

One of the best musical programs in the state is helping to bring large crowds to the evening service. Under the leadership of Mrs. J. Lewis Gates, there are three childrens choirs. Mrs. W. F. Hollingsworth is organist.

Jones County Record readers are now listed as follows: Bethel, 11; Bethlehem, 73; Calvary, 27; County Line, 50; Ellisville, 164; Fairfield, 58; Friendship, 1; Harmony, 45; Hebron, 58; Indian Springs, 7; Laurel First, 548; Laurel, Second Avenue, 428; Laurel, Beacon, 112; Moselle, 47; New Hope, 25; Overt, 33; Pecan Grove, 16; Pine Grove, 52; Pleasant Home 1; Sandersville, 61; Sand Hill, 31; Sharon, 72; Shelton, 3; Soso, 103; South Laurel, 79; Summerland, 59; Tucker Crossing, 46; West Laurel, 193; Glade, 70; Pleasant Ridge, 1; East View, 60; Beulah-Myrick, 63.

MORE PROOF

In the issue of February 24 a list of the 100 churches leading in the Cooperative Program gifts in 1948 was published. As proof of the fact that the Baptist Record churches seem, in most cases, to do better than those without the helpful source of information, we call attention to the fact that every church in the first group of 25 has the Baptist Record as a part of its program. Twenty-two of the second group are Baptist Record churches, 24 of the third group and 24 of the fourth group. In other words, 95 of these 100 churches have the Baptist Record as a part of their program.

A score of 95 to 5 indicates that the Baptist Record does help.

PROVIDENCE IS NO. 939

Since becoming pastor of the Providence Church, Lawrence County, the Rev. R. A. Hancock has had as one of his goals the adoption of the EVERY FAMILY Plan by the church. That goal has now been accomplished and Providence is on the list of churches that have adopted the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record.

Pastor Hancock serves this church half-time while a student at Missis-

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

February 27, 1949

Mt. Vernon	54	63
Hazlehurst	329	80
Laurel, First	613	187
Crystal Springs	622	202
New Albany, First	454	156
Including Mission	481	178
West Laurel	367	119
Laurel, Second Avenue	400	118
Jackson, Elaine	121	100
Daniel Memorial (Hinds County)	280	134
Jackson, Calvary	1156	290
Calvary Mission	46	25
Jackson, Van Winkle	404	220
Jackson, Northside	423	168
Jackson, Emmanuel	90	74
Jackson, First	1168	375
Pleasant Valley (Simpson County)	150	175
Eastside (Rankin County)	137	81
Ridgeland (Madison County)	43	40
East Fork (Amite County)	92	41
East McComb	441	223
Providence (Forrest County)	151	136
Steens Creek (Florence County)	126	61
Booneville, First	240	115
Cross Roads (Webster County)	59	40
Bruce	219	83
Plymouth (Lowndes County)	77	53
East Columbia	98	70
McComb, Southside	257	44
Cherry Creek (Pontotoc County)	56	47
Holly Springs	42	
Crystal Springs (Walthall County)	147	80
Bogue Chitto	61	97
South Laurel	68	43
Centreville	139	61
Kreole, First	138	86
Lucedale	292	104
Brookhaven, First	915	293
Brookhaven, Pearlhaven	184	89
Durant	189	88
Darling	65	31
Greenville, Second	224	90
East Moss Point	154	55
Delay	55	52
Sharon	97	75
Hulka (Chickasaw County)	71	37
Center	146	85
Glenfield (Union County)	60	69
Sumrall (Lamar County)	58	60
Corinth, Tate Street	299	71
O'Tucklofa (Yalobusha County)	16	
Hernando, Eudora	104	31
Gulfport, First	550	123
Friendship (Pike County)	170	69
Hattiesburg, Main Street	733	248
Kokomo	107	48
New Zion (Copiah County)	64	69
Chalybeate	60	35
Columbus, First	928	272
Meridian, First	657	
Meridian, Fifteenth Avenue	478	130
Meridian, Highland	464	154
Meridian, Southside	363	184
Meridian, Eighth Avenue	382	84
Meridian, 41st Avenue	285	100
Meridian, Poplar Springs	243	45
Meridian, Oak Grove	115	55
Meridian, Oakland Heights	121	39
Meridian, Key Field Mission	71	
Byram (Hinds County)	154	110
Zion Hill (Copiah County)	70	55

issippi College. During his pastorate the church has gone forward in many ways and the people express appreciation of him as pastor.

We had the privilege of assisting in a revival meeting there last July.

Record readers in Lawrence County are now listed as follows: Antioch, 37; Bethel, 34; Bismarck 25; Carmel, 65; Crooked Creek, 61; Jayess, 50; Monticello, 102; New Hebron, 86; New Hope, 55; New Zion, 2; Nola, 17; Oakvale, 35; Old Silver Creek, 46; Providence, 29; Saul's Valley, 18; Shiloh, 53; Silver Creek, Calvary, 103; Topeka, 21; Wavilla, 58; Oma 1.

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Mississippi Is Second

According to the current issue of the *Brotherhood Bulletin*, published by our Southwide Office, Mississippi was second last year in the number of new Brotherhoods organized. Texas and Missouri tied for first place. We are grateful to the Lord for this record, but are looking forward to taking first honors in 1949.

"We Would Not Let the Cooperative Program Pay for Our Church Building Program"

The above statement was made by Mr. Paul Danna, a deacon in the First Baptist Church in Dallas Texas. About 1920, First Baptist Church, Dallas, launched a building program that cost six hundred thousand dollars that took the church twenty-five years to pay. Mr. Danna states in the *Baptist Program* that the reason it took so long was the fact that Dr. Truett insisted that the church not let the cooperative program pay for the church building program. What an example! Churches by the scores are faced by this problem at the present time. We do well to ponder long and prayerfully, curtailing our World Mission Pro-

gram, even for a comfortable home base.

Building Programs Must Be Successfully Financed

The above is a caption for an article by Dr. M. E. Dodd of Shreveport. Dr. Dodd makes the following statements: "I believe it would be sound financial policy to say that for a church building program: (1) given the lot on which to build paid for, (2) one-half of the estimated cost of the building cash on hand, (3) let the contract and raise one-fourth of the building cost during process of erection, and (4) put the remaining one-fourth into the church budget for a ten or fifteen year period."

"If our national life heads into financial storms in the next few years, we will be prepared to meet them without our missionary and benevolent interests being required to take a loss. We hope that none of our sister churches will go out too far and find themselves in difficulties."

The Cooperative Program is the life-line of all our work. We must not cut off the life-line when so much of the work of Christ depends upon it.

Dr. Storer To Lead Brookhaven Revival



DR. J. W. STORER

Dr. J. W. Storer, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma, will be the revival preacher at First Baptist Church, Brookhaven, March 23 to April 3.

Rev. Howard Courtney, pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church, Bogalusa, Louisiana, will lead the singing.

Dr. Storer is pastor of one of the great churches in the Southern Baptist Convention. Last year his church led the State of Oklahoma in total contributions, which amounted to \$214,872. His church also led the state in gifts to the Co-operative Program.

Dr. Storer has written several books, of which perhaps the best known is *The Major Messages of the Minor Prophets*.

Services will be held at eleven o'clock each morning and seven-thirty each evening, announced the pastor, Dr. W. Landon Miller.

CHESTER SWOR ADDRESSES WOMAN'S COLLEGE GROUP

Woman's College students and faculty were joined by about 400 friends in welcoming Dr. Chester Swor, nationally known lecturer and conference leader to Hattiesburg and Woman's College.

Students from Jones County Junior College, Mississippi Southern College, and Pearl River Junior College attended the youth rally which met at Woman's College February 20.

Dr. I. E. Rouse, President of Woman's College recognized the visitors. The Carsity Ensemble and the college chorus rendered special music.

Dr. Swor's message on "And They Knew that They Had Been With Jesus" illustrated the outward manifestation of inward beliefs and convictions.

The young people of Hattiesburg were invited to attend the conference period on Monday evening in the college auditorium, when Dr. Swor gave council in response to his popular question box.

Speaking in chapel on Monday and Tuesday, he gave practical suggestions for "Maximum Christian Living."

Perhaps the holiest hour was the dormitory prayer meeting at ten o'clock Monday night, when Dr. Swor challenged the Woman's College girls to pledge themselves anew to the service of Christ.

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THE PROPHET'S MANTLE (\$2.50)

published by the Broadman Press contains fourteen sermons delivered by the late Dr. George W. Truett, one of the great preachers of all time. The sermons were edited by Dr. Powhatan W. James. Dr. James has done a masterly job in preserving much of the unique manner with which Dr. Truett spoke his soul to his great audiences around the world. The book is great in sound interpretation of the Old Testament Scriptures; great in literary charm; great in appropriate illustrations; but greater in their evangelistic appeal. Order from the Baptist Book Store. — Chas S. Henderson.

PROGRAM FOR PREACHER'S SCHOOL March 14-25, 1949

- 7:00 Breakfast.
- 8:00 Bible Study—W. Lowrey Compere.
- 8:50 Recess.
- 9:00 Prayer Meeting.
- 9:30 Church Problems. First Week: Dr. D. A. McCall. Second Week: Tuesday-Sunday School. Wednesday-Brotherhood. Thursday-Training Union. Friday-Woman's Missionary Union.
- 10:45 Recess.
- 11:00 Bible Study—C. C. Weaver.. Tuesday 15--Sermon, G. O. Parker, Tuesday 22--Sermon, Montie Davis.
- 12:00 Noon.
- 2:30 Bible Study—Clarence Palmer.
- 3:30 Visual Aids—Baptist Book Store. Tours: Orphanage, Mississippi College, Baptist Hospital.
- 5:30 Supper.
- 7:00 Music—Waddell Valentine.
- 7:30 Sermon Nuggets—William P. Davis.
- 8:30 Devotional.

Sessions will open with supper on Monday night and close with the noon meal Friday.

Place: BAPTIST BUILDING
Jackson, Mississippi

Kenneth Hall Resigns As Neshoba Assoc. Missionary; Accepts Attala Assoc.



REV. KENNETH G. HALL

The Rev. Kenneth Hall has resigned his work as Associational Missionary of the Neshoba Association, effective April 1, and has accepted a similar position in the Attala Association.

Mr. Hall, a native of Illinois, is a graduate of Southern Illinois Teachers College and has the Th. B. and Th. M. degrees from the Southern Baptist Seminary. He also has one year's work on his Doctorate. Mr. Hall has held pastorates in Missouri, Illinois and Kentucky, and came to Philadelphia five years ago from a pastorate in Mounds, Illinois.

He is president of the Mississippi Baptist Association of Field Men, a member of the Rotary Club, secretary of the East Mississippi Pastors' Conference and of the Philadelphia Ministerial Association.

Mrs. Hall, who is a graduate of the Southern Illinois Teachers College and who is also a graduate nurse, has the M. R. E. degree from the W. M. U. Training School in Louisville.

Neshoba County Association stands second in state Sunday school awards, with the Hinds-Warren placing first. Sunday Schools, Training Unions and in Neshoba County, and Beacon Street Mission stations have been organized Church in Philadelphia has been established largely as a result of the work of Mr. Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Hall will live in Kosciusko.

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The Baptist Hour

Sunday Mornings April through June, 1949

THEME: "CONSIDER JESUS"
Dr. J. D. Grey, Preacher

SUBJECTS

- April 3—"Consider Jesus"
10—"Jesus Only"
17—"Alive for Evermore"
24—"Jesus Our Advocate"
May 1—"Christ the Sin Cure"
8—"Mary, the Mother of Jesus"
15—"Jesus Knocks at Your Door"
22—"Our Sufficient Saviour"
29—"Jesus and Repentance"
June 5—"Jesus and the New Birth"
12—"Listen to Jesus"
19—"The Wounds of Jesus"
26—"What Will You Do With Jesus"

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"That the World May Know..."

That the world may know Christ! That 600 Foreign Missionaries, 600 Home Missionaries, 100 State Missionaries may be supported in telling His story! That 1,600 college students, 250 ministerial students and over 2,000 Seminary students may be trained! That around 200 orphans a year and the sick and suffering of the hospitals may be cared for! That the gospel may be preached over the radio and in the printed page! That the work of Christ may be supplemented in the work with the races—Indians, Chinese, and Negroes! That a strong evangelistic emphasis may prevail! That much more may be done in the Name of Christ!

Mississippi Baptists have for the stated month given of their substance and it has been used as follows:

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS, JANUARY, 1949

HOW OUR MONEY COMES IN

Cooperative Program	\$ 43,068.36
Designated Objects	19,985.11
Foreign Mission Week of Prayer	31,423.90
Baptist Building Maintenance	471.25
Baptist Record:	
Subscriptions	\$5,606.53
Advertising	1,110.36
Miscellaneous	24.90
	6,741.79
Relief and Annuity:	
Pastor's Dues	\$2,070.19
Church Payments	2,561.10
Board Employee's Dues	221.45
Widow's Supplement Dues	284.91
Refund on Expense	77.43
Refund on Dues	14.20
	5,229.28
Baptist Sunday School Board	613.45
Home Mission Board	150.00
Returned Checks Made Good	41.33
	5107,724.47
Cash on Hand January 1, 1949:	
Capital National Bank	\$137,386.00
Jackson State National	55,369.72
	192,755.72
	\$300,480.19

HOW OUR MONEY IS SENT AND SPENT

Cooperative Program:	
Preaching and Promotion	\$ 4,378.00
W.M.U. Department	1,167.17
Distributions:	
Southwide Causes	\$29,543.35
Foreign Mission Board	
Southern Seminary	
Southwestern Seminary	
New Orleans Seminary	
W.M.U. Training School	
American Seminary	
Relief & Annuity Board	
Radio Commission	
Baptist Brotherhood of the South	
Southern Baptist Hospital	
Christian Education	
Miss. College	\$4,621.90
Miss. Woman's	
College	3,033.12
Blue Mountain	
College	3,899.72
Clarke Memorial	
College	2,888.68
Ministerial Education	\$ 1,313.04
Miss. Baptist Foundation	492.39
Miss. Baptist Hospital	656.52
Miss. Baptist Orphanage	3,282.59
Designated Objects	49,731.31
Lottie Moon Week of Prayer	55,276.48
Baptist Building Maintenance	40,762.49
Baptist Record	31,026.45
Editorial	\$ 816.77
Mailing	3,306.48
Relief and Annuity:	4,123.25
Pastors Dues	\$2,031.77
Church Payments	2,336.53
Board Employees	
Dues	241.85
Widow's Supplement	
Dues	678.50
Refund of Dues	27.00
Returned Checks	5,315.65
Radio Expense	35.00
State Mission Allocations:	2,759.36
Associational Missions	\$ 1,441.61
Bible Teachers Co-Lin and	
Perkinson Jr. Colleges	140.00
Board and Executive Committee	
Meetings	532.48
BSU Department	\$ 378.41
Campuses	1,348.53
Brotherhood Department	1,726.94
BTU Department	601.08
Chinese Work	1,227.26
Church Building Aid	75.00
Institutional Visitation	4,725.00
Military Camp Work	383.31
Music Department	100.00
Negro Work	17.95
Historical Work	5,110.21
Pastoral Aid	200.00
Promotion and Tracts	658.96
Relief and Annuity:	296.24
Office Expense	\$ 233.95
3% Board Em-	
ployees Dues	241.85
2/3 Pastor's Dues	1,354.52
Widow's Supple-	
ment Dues	678.50
Promotion	105.80
Stewardship and Evangelism	2,614.62
Sunday School Department	496.86
Temperance Department	1,121.87
W. M. U. Field Work:	796.46
Royal Am-	
bassadors	\$ 155.47
Negro Work	119.33
Scholarships	300.00
WMU Camp	23.17
	597.97
	22,863.82
Cash in Banks January 31, 1949:	
Jackson State National	\$71,099.05
Capital National	66,772.14
	137,871.19
	\$300,480.19

Last January, within one month, we got approximately as much within the one month as we received the entire year during the depths of the depression. During this one month past, we received a little more than half as much as for the entire year in 1939. Still we are only giving about 4% of our income to the work of the Lord rather than what He commanded in tithes and offerings.

We must increase our giving if we are to reach the \$1,000,000 Cooperative Program goal and the \$2,000,000 total contributions goal for this year 1949.

Is your church giving more now to all causes through the Cooperative Program than it gave last year?

Are you giving more to all the work of Christ through the Cooperative Program than you gave last year?

"Every Baptist A Soul-Winner"

"Every Baptist A Tither!"

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ALL THIS MONEY GOES FOR THE PREACHING OF THE GOSPEL, PROMOTION OF THE TRAINING OF THE GOSPEL, THE TRAINING OF THE SAVED, OR THE HELPING OF THE NEEDY.

Sparks & Splinters

THERE WERE 51 OVER 15 YEARS OF age enrolled in the study of John's Gospel at Providence Church Forrest County that ended February 16. It proved a great blessing. The people are asking for another such study — C. E. James, Pastor.

THE BAPTIST RECORD HAS RECEIVED a copy of the Neshoba County minutes, which are well prepared and attractively printed. Rev. W. C. Breland is moderator and W. J. Houston is the clerk. The next meeting will be at the Laurel Hill Church, October 5-6.

OF THE 26,822 CHURCHES IN THE Southern Baptist Convention, 3,289 have been in existence since 1845, when the Southern Baptist Convention was organized. There have been 2,588 churches organized since 1941.

DR. B. C. LAND, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY of the Mississippi Baptist Foundation, will be one of the speakers in the eight Regional Conferences on Evangelism and Stewardship in Kentucky in March.

REV. THURMAN BOOTH OF TERRY will lead in a revival at the East Columbia Church March 13-18. The Rev. Guy A. Little is the pastor.

THE PERON ADMINISTRATION IN Argentina has decreed the compulsory teaching of Catholic religion in the first four grades of all secondary schools in Argentina. Such education has extended through the third grade in the past.

MAJORING PROVISIONS OF THE proposed Bulgarian cults law call for closing all foreign church missions in Bulgaria and turning their property over to the State; severing ties between Bulgarian churches and religious groups abroad; and subjecting ecclesiastical appointments to government approval.

REPENTANCE: I BELIEVE THAT THE greatest need of Christians today is REPENTANCE. Repentance will inevitably produce a great Christian life. Repentance will definitely eliminate antagonism. REPENTANCE will beyond any doubt produce a great Christian constituency among Baptists. No program can fail where the people practice repentance. — Dr. C. L. Niceley.

THE GOSPEL AND THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT (\$1.50), by Dr. Arnold T. Ohm, General Secretary of the Baptist World Alliance, explains clearly what Gospel is and what is not Gospel, based upon the Sermon on the Mount. Dr. Ohm's thesis is that the Gospel is no mere moral code or ethical system; the Gospel is Jesus Himself. It is The Word made flesh. Preacher will find the book particularly stimulating; laymen will discover in its pages a more solid substance for their faith. Order from the publisher: Fleming H. Revell Company, 158 Fifth Avenue, New York.

THE BAPTIST RECORD GREATLY appreciates a nice list of renewal subscriptions from Providence Church Chickasaw County. The list was sent by Mrs. W. H. Nichols, whose address is Route 1, Prairie.

THE SECOND QUARTER ISSUE OF the Quarterly Review will contain the 1948 list of all Southern Baptist churches with 750 members or more.

THE MINUTES OF THE YAZOO County Association have been sent to the Baptist Record. The next session will meet with the Holly Bluff Church on October 20.

COOPERATING SOUTHERN BAPTIST (\$1.50) by Dr. J. D. Lawrence, Executive Secretary, Home Mission Board, sets forth in a convincing way the principals by which we are to be guided in our relations within the denomination, and with other Christian bargains. It is a timely utterance and deserves a wide reading. Dr. Lawrence is one of our foremost Christian statesmen. This book is the result of years of observation and study. Orders should be sent to the Baptist Book Store.

FIFTY-ONE MISSISSIPPIANS ENROLLED AT SOUTHERN BAPTIST SEMINARY



Shown above are 41 of the 53 Mississippi students enrolled at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky. Left to right they are:

Left to Right, First Row: Schuyler Batson, Joe Patterson, Elmore Ray, Betty Jane Hammett, Mrs. H. G. West, Helen Dale Armstrong, Mary Ruth Smith, Mrs. W. H. Ferrell, Frances Thompson, Emma Grace Ross, Mrs. R. G. Thompson, Mrs. David Grant, Clark McMurray.

Second Row: Darty Stowe, Gene Crawford, James Atkinson, Joe Atkinson, Joe Slovall, Henry G. West, Jack Glaze, James Riley, Wm. Ferrell, Joel Ray, Bob Thompson, David Grant.

Third Row: Alvin Collins, Paul Kolb, David Byrd, Jim Hurt, Ralph Calcote, Harold T. Kitchings, Henning Andrews, John Steen, Taylor Wallace, Devere Hillman, David Mayhall.

Fourth Row: Clarence Lassetter, Tracy Barnett, Herschell Thornell, Truett Boyd, Roe Wilson, Furman Kenney.

Not Pictured: Willis A. Brown, Dan Cameron, John Defoore, Othell Hand, Earl Kelly, Raymond Kolb, Earl Moody, Levon Moore, John Moran, Perry Perkins, Frank Royce, Charles Tucker.

THE BAPTIST RECORD HAS RECEIVED a copy of the minutes of the Union Association which met at Union Church. The Rev. A. L. Chumbley is moderator and J. Mack Jones is the clerk. The minutes are well prepared and the printers did a commendable job. REV. E. L. BYRD, PASTOR OF HIGHLAND Church, Meridian, was the speaker for The Religious Emphasis Week at Judson College in Marion, Alabama, February 20-24. The theme for the week was "What Thinkest Thou?" Judson is the Baptist Women's College in Alabama.

THE MANY FRIENDS OF DR. M. Lattimer will regret to learn of his serious illness at his home in Clinton. While his condition does not permit many visitors, he is resting fairly comfortably. Now 77 years of age, Dr. Lattimer has been connected with Mississippi College for 52 years.

FRIENDS OF DR. J. W. PROVINCE, beloved president emeritus of Mississippi College, will regret to learn of his serious illness at his home in Clinton. Dr. Province, who has recently suffered an attack of flu, Sunday evening suffered a heart attack at his home. Within the last few days Dr. Province had improved sufficiently from the attack of flu to attend a banquet at Mississippi College Saturday night. Dr. Province is 84 years old and has been very active all of his life. Late Sunday night he was reported to be resting well. Members of his family were at his bedside.

THE TISHOMINGO COUNTY WORKERS council will meet with the Iuka church on Monday evening March 7 at 6 o'clock. The host church will serve supper.

MT. OLIVE CHURCH, CARROLL County, will hold a Stewardship Revival March 9-12. A Training Union has recently been organized and Prayer Services are now held on Wednesday nights. The Rev. W. D. Ellinburg is the pastor.

THE BAPTIST RECORD GREATLY appreciates a nice list of new and renewal subscriptions from Quenton Church in Franklin County. The list was sent by H. R. Mallory.

HOW TO LIVE YOUR FAITH (\$2) WILL appeal to the novice seeking assurance and stability, trying to learn the know-how of Christian living. The book of sermons answers the many perplexing questions about how to put into the practice the give-and-take of daily existence. The author, Dr. G. Ernest Thomas, together with the 2000 members of his pastorate, has worked out many problems and uses the true illustrations in the chapters. Order from the publisher: Fleming H. Revell Company, 158 Fifth Avenue, New York.

RECENT VISITORS IN THE OFFICE of the Baptist Record were: Rev. M. P. Jones, Wesson; Rev. John B. Laney, Booneville; Dr. Judson Chastain, Poplarville; Rev. W. C. Hamilton, Tishomingo; Rev. Phil J. Walker, Vicksburg; J. V. Hollis, Vardaman; Rev. C. S. Moulder, Hattiesburg; H. D. Pickens, Clinton; Rev. and Mrs. Truett Boyd, Louisville, Kentucky; Mrs. F. A. Parker, Prentiss; Mrs. Grady Cook, Pontotoc.

CLINTON, MISS. FEB. 28. IN KEEPING with the policy of Mississippi College Professors to keep in close touch with educational trends of the nation, Dr. Guy C. Mitchell is in St. Louis this week attending the meetings of the American Educational Research Association and the National Society for the Study of Education. In addition to his teaching, Dr. Mitchell has charge of the College Placement Bureau and is constantly making contacts between outgoing students and employers, especially in the teaching profession. The enrollment at Mississippi College has increased in recent years till it now requires much time to keep information for employers about the graduates who are always in demand.

THE BAPTIST RECORD HAS RECEIVED a copy of the minutes of the Madison County Association, which met in the Center Terrace Church in Canton. The minutes are well prepared and the printers did a good job. Rev. C. O. Estes is the moderator and Floyd E. Johnson is the clerk.

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Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by Bracey Campbell
Lesson for March Sixth
THE PARABLES OF JESUS. Bible
Texts: Mark 4; Luke 15:11-24.

I. Definitions of Terms

A parable is an earthly story designed to teach a heavenly lesson. So the parable of the Sower is a story, but it is a story designed to teach us a lesson.

A prodigal is anyone who wastes either time, opportunity, or money. The word does not occur in the story of the lost son. Neither does this story occur anywhere else in the Bible. But it is a story so fine that it has been called the finest short story in the world. Other prize short stories occupy from ten or twelve pages up. This can be printed in less than one page of the average magazine, yet more books have been written and sermons preached from this story as source than from any other ten short stories in print.

Lack of space forbids my attempting to discuss all the material suggested for this lesson. I am therefore going to deal in a very elementary way with this one story.

II. Lessons from the Experience of the Younger Brother

He was a rebel when first he came to our notice. He was dissatisfied with the order and rule of the father's house. He did not know the things that belonged to his peace, he did not know what he was doing when he made request of his father that he might be allowed to leave home. He asked for a division of the father's property. The father acceded to the son's request and let him go.

This fact might at once suggest that the story is meant to teach us a lesson about God. The action of the father of the prodigal is like that of God. If anyone is determined to go away, the heavenly Father will not hinder, but will, with whatever degree of sorrow, let him go.

"All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way." And the way of the prodigal was the way of wastrel. He went his own way into a far country and into an extravagant society. And this way led to ruin. One's own way always leads to ruin. Only God's way, the way of holiness, leads to life and light and happiness. So the lad in rebellion against the righteous will of his father came to ruin. But the ruin in his case proved a blessing; because it brought him to himself.

III. Found Himself

"When he came to Himself," came to see himself as he really was, came to realize his ruined condition, to realize the goodness and fineness of his father. O, would some power the fair gift give us to see ourselves as the good Lord sees us. Well, the wandering boy came to see himself thus and to realize that his past had been spent in making an egregious blunder. The fact that he had blundered appeared in his present ruined condition.

III. His New Resolution.

"I will arise and go to my father." Gone now was all his exalted opinion of his ability to do for himself and to fend for himself independently of his father and his father's wise counsel. The lad got himself in hand, got control of himself, subjected his erstwhile stubborn and rebellious will to the counsels of better judgement. Now he was content not only but eager to do the will of the father and to be reinstated in the father's house, in any capacity, wholly subject to the will of the father.

IV. His Faithfulness to His Resolution

"He arose and went." Then follows the heart-touching account of his reception by his father. I have seen earthly wanderers return to an earthly home but to no such welcome as this. The father in this case awaited with eagerness only



Shown above is the attractive sign which points the way to Society Hill church.

CALENDAR OF PRAYER

March 6—Dr. I. E. Rouse, president, Woman's College; Bill Keeler, president, District I, Brotherhood.

March 7—Rev. Wilburn S. Smith, BSU Faculty Adviser, Mississippi State; J. M. Deaton, Farmer, Baptist Orphanage.

March 8—State Sunday School Convention; Rev. Troy Mohon, Clarke College faculty.

March 9—State Sunday School Convention; Mrs. J. A. Anderson, Belzoni, WMU Chairman, District II.

March 10—Rev. G. M. Crawford, Holly Springs; president, District 5 Training Union; Auber J. Wilds, State Training Union Secretary, Baptist Building.

March 11—Rev. J. H. Cothen, Greene County, Convention Board member; Dr. Frank Purser, Oxford, Mississippi Education Commission.

March 12—Dr. J. W. Provine, Clinton, Board of Ministerial Education; T. M. Dickson, Jackson, Orphanage trustee.

A CHURCH PLANNING TO SPEND \$50,000 on its new building should use at least \$7,500 in establishing one or more branch Bible teaching stations in some part of its territory. Untold thousands, perhaps millions, would rise up and call us blessed in years to come if we would start now and maintain thousands of branch Sunday schools. . . . C. F. Barry, THE SUNDAY SCHOOL BUILDER.

the repentant spirit of the part of the son, and he was willing, nay, had been willing all the while, to receive him again into the circle, and for the first time in the boy's life, into the ample room of the father's heart. The boy had never been there before, because that position was one which a rebellious spirit could never enter, occupy or endure. A joy for the first time known to the father since ever the son was born, the joy of a complete fellowship, flooded the lives of both.

V. An Utter Lack of Sympathy

The elder brother. The pertinence of the story, the applicability of the story to the situation is seen in the attitude of the elder brother. He seals the meaning of the story. Our Lord was talking to the publicans and sinners, and the Lord was being criticized by the self-righteous pharisees for associating with these social outcasts.

Now, these outcasts were sinners. They would themselves very likely have admitted that. They were prodigal, away from the Father's house. But these self-righteous ones were pious-actors, hypocrites within the visible house of the Fathers. Comparable to the holier-than-thou members of the church today, to those who justify themselves before men and hold all others at naught. The lesson to all the world is that God loves all men, good and bad, believing and unbelieving. And that while there is the fathomless love of God for the bad and the embrace of the Father for those who will come home in penitence to Him there is no hope for the self-righteous so long as they remain so.

Brewer Church Notes Growth Under Pastor Cargile

Brewer Church, Perry County, has made several steps forward since last October when Rev. O. D. Cargile came as pastor.

There have been 23 additions to the church, 16 on profession of faith.

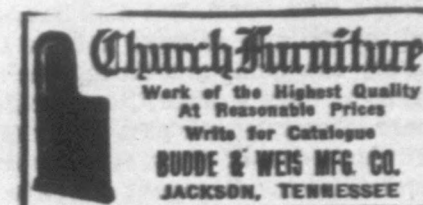
A Sunday School class for the young adults has been added, and 26 are now enrolled in that class. Because of a general increase in attendance, the auditorium is being enlarged by 18 feet and six classrooms are being added to the church. This enlargement is to be completed during March.

The W. M. U. under the leadership of the pastor's wife, has reorganized and two circles have been formed. On February 25 the ladies sponsored a banquet for their husbands, at which time Horace Headrick and Guy Sykes, both outstanding Christian laymen of Laurel, brought an inspirational address and gave helpful suggestions in organizing a Brotherhood. The meeting resulted in the organization of a strong Brotherhood.

Pastor Cargile has led the church to adopt the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record.

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EVANGELISM IS THE SUPREME task of the denomination—every member of the denomination. This passion for lost souls must possess the pulpit and the pew, on Sunday and every other day of the week. . . . Louie D. Newton in The Sunday School Builder.



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The Southern Baptist campaign to establish ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND new family altars will be climaxed in Christian Home Week, May 1-8. Family worship every day in every Baptist home is the ideal. Is there an altar in your home? . . .

Altar Fires, a section appearing in HOME LIFE magazine each month, provides materials for daily family worship. For distribution during the second quarter, order copies of HOME LIFE now for every home you expect to establish a family altar. Bulk shipments mailed monthly to one address, 30 cents quarterly; annual individual subscription, \$1.50.

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ROY ALLEN NOW SERVES AS CHAPLAIN IN JAPAN

The many friends of Rev. Roy Allen who was pastor at Eudora and Crenshaw some ten years ago will be glad to know that he is serving profitably as an Army Chaplain in Japan. He will soon complete his eighth year. He is now in his fifth year of overseas service, with more than two years spent in Japan. In a letter to the editor, Chaplain Allen wrote:

"My own work with the men of the famed 7th Calvary Regiment here in Tokyo comes first. But God has opened up the way to have a Bible Class in my own home and during the noon hour to have a Bible Class for Japanese laborers of our post in my office. Through one of the Japanese interpreters of the Regiment we have had many opportunities to tell the story of Jesus. God has blessed His work with over 100 of these Japanese embracing the Christian Religion, and the Christ we all know and love.

"Miss Sadako Ishinatsu whose letter is enclosed came to my office and to our Wednesday night Bible Class, and at the altar of the Chapel put her faith in Christ after we read and explained scriptures to her and listened to her prayer through the interpreter.

"I have two military Government teams to preach to, and three rest hotels, besides my own work in the regiment. These places are 150 miles from Tokyo, and I go by Japanese train and bus. As the train stops at various places I have tracts in the Japanese language to give to these rural and village people. They crowd to my train window and reach up to my hand to snatch a tract with the story of Jesus in their own language; often times there has been as many as 15 and 20 hands reaching to my hand and saying, 'I want one.'"

Chaplain Allen also sent two letters written by a Japanese, parts of which are printed below:

"After the war was over, the atrocities by Japanese soldiers were revealed, I was very much frightened.

"Though we live in different countries, why did they use precious life which have been endowed to human beings in such atrocities? I don't understand this. Why should we hate each other, simply because we are different races?"

"Chaplain, I am praying that the Japanese people will be changed and that they should never do any atrocities like those. —Sadako Ishimatsu."

I am not a Christian, but I have found much interest in Christianity since the termination of the war.

"Most of my knowledge of Christianity comes from the Bible and from other books. As far as I know and have learned, Christianity holds quite an attraction for us in view of the fact that Christianity or its moral is not simply a way of thinking, but also a way of living.

"Shinteiism or Buddhism, seems to be the 'religion of the past their phylo-uophy is not as impressive to the young people as Christianity.

"These two religions I have just mentioned are supported by conservatives who are doubt not a little trouble by the spreading in Christianity in our country.

"At last we have been given a privilege which we have never had until today: Freedom of Religion. We are now free to think and believe in anything we please, we are at last freed from the false conception and distorted views that were imbedded in our minds by feudalistic leaders and bigoted people. —Yasuo Maria (age 19)"

NEW JERSEY LEGISLATORS HAVE defeated a bill to raise money by a state lottery. The measure was opposed by church groups.

LEO MANGUM ORDAINED AT CALVARY, GREENWOOD



REV. LEO W. MANGUM

Rev. Leo W. Mangum, Mississippi College student and pastor of Good Hope Church in Madison County, was ordained to the full work of the gospel ministry in the church of his membership, Calvary Greenwood on February 20.

The examining presbytery was composed of Rev. John Gore, Drew; Rev. J. H. Kyzar, Greenwood; Rev. D. I. Young Jr., Money; Rev. A. L. Gatewood Itta Bena; Rev. C. J. Olander, Morgan City; and the pastor, Rev. R. A. Tullos, Greenwood.

The ordination sermon was given by Pastor Tullos. Rev. J. H. Kyzar gave the charge, Rev. Gatewood led the ordination prayer, and Rev. C. J. Olander presented the Bible in behalf of the church. Deacons of the church joined in the laying on of hands.

Mr. Mangum is a graduate of Magee High School, a veteran of several years in the Navy. He and his wife, nee Kathleen Hudson of Taylorsville, have two children.

MENACE OF BAD LITERATURE

Editor B. H. Duncan, of The Arkansas Baptist, wonders "if freedom of the press is not carried too far. Considering the steam of obscene and indecent books and magazines coming from the press, we wonder if a curb should be put upon this type of poison which is invading American homes, American youth and childhood."

Some years ago we read a timely book by a justice of the State Supreme Court of New York, titled "The Menace of Immoral Literature." That great jurist and Christian gentleman expressed quite convincingly his conviction that the greatest menace to the American home and life is the filth, under the guise of literature, that is finding its way into every home.

Christian people, he said, seem unconscious—or indifferent—to the fact that the great presses in our cities are grinding out carloads of salacious stuff that will poison the minds and hearts of old and young alike.

Editor Duncan says: "Parents, school Teachers, church and Sunday school workers have a tremendous responsibility not only in the selection of their own reading matter, but in guiding the child and youth in reading wholesome, instructive books and magazines."

AMERICA'S LIQUOR BILL IS \$3 MILLION AN HOUR 50 Million Denied Right To Vote On Local Option

By Rev. N. S. Jackson, Secretary Mississippi Temperance League

"The American people spent more than ten billion dollars for liquors last year, ten dollar for every minute since the birth of our Lord until the present time" said Homer Rodehever, famous song leader, to a crowd which overflowed the large auditorium of the First Baptist Church, St. Petersburg, Florida, in a meeting of the convention held by the Temperance League of America.

The convention was well attended, and interest was high. High points were addresses by Bishop Wilbur E. Hammacker, who brought a stirring address on "God's Challenge." Sunday Afternoon; the Rodehever meeting Monday Night; and Sam Morris, who spoke Tuesday Night on "Fifteen Years of Legalized Sin."

Everyone felt that conditions are critical and becoming more critical day by day. Much interest was shown in Mississippi's record, and we were given extended time to speak on "What is happening in Mississippi." Reports from every section represented showed growing determination to break the grip of liquor and beer interests on governments.

While there is much agitation and insistence on rights of minorities, more than fifty millions of the American people live under laws which deprive them of the right to vote on whether or not liquor and beer shall be sold. Local option is denied them.

"Keep America drunk, and keep the people believing that the government is Santa Claus," was given by one speaker as a sure way to bring on a depression.

Crime cost was fifteen billion dollars last year. Crime and liquor cost twenty-five billion, or \$25 a minutes every minute since the birth of our Lord. Spent for liquor daily, \$27,397,260 — liquor and crime, \$68,493,150. Every hour of 1948, \$1,141,552 was spent for liquor, and for liquor and crime, \$2,853,880, not including moonshine liquor and unreported crime. At least three million an hour was spent on liquor and crime.

Whether or not the people are interested in the drink problem, they are affected by it, and the continued expenditure of billions for liquor, drink induced crime, and other evils, will bring upon us an economic crisis, a depression, such as we have never experienced.

Calvary, Waynesboro To Occupy \$25,000 Building Sunday, March 13 Revival Planned First Week

Calvary Church of Waynesboro will move into its \$25,000 building on March 13. Services are planned for the morning, afternoon, and evening, including dinner on the grounds.

Pastor Jack J. Cranford will deliver the morning message, the first message to be delivered in the new building. Several prominent speakers will appear on the days program.

The day will be the beginning of a week's revival, with Rev. David T. Cranford, brother of the pastor, as the guest evangelist.

Calvary Church was organized in the early fall of 1948 and has grown rapidly under the leadership of Pastor Cranford.

WHY HAVE SEMINARIES?

By Dr. J. E. Dillard

President Charles W. Koller of the Northern Baptist Seminary says, "What the heart is to the human body, the seminary is to the denomination," to ignore or neglect the heart.

Our seminaries provide training for our pastors. Not all our pastors go to the seminaries, but all are indebted to them. If a preacher not going to a seminary is conscientious and honest he will feel the need so keenly that he will probably study even harder than the man who does go. The seminary enables one to get in a systematic way and in less time and with less effort the information and skill he will need all his ministerial life. The pastor of a little church or a rural church needs the seminary just like the pastor of a great city church.

Our seminaries train our missionaries. We cannot afford to send unprepared men at great expense of time and money to represent our Christ and our cause. Our seminaries provide training and ought to be equipped to provide more and better training in the interest of economy and efficiency.

Our seminaries help provide a literature for our denomination. The text books for many of our training courses, our courses in Bible and religious education in college and seminaries, and many other denominational books are written by our seminary professors. Nearly all of our denominational literature is written by those who have at least studied under seminary men.

Our seminaries help to unify our denomination and to promote its program. Everybody knows that the men who are trained in our seminaries can be counted on to promote our work. They know what the Cooperative Program is, how it was brought about, what is included, how it is operated, and how promoted. The only Southern Baptists who do not like this program are the ones who are uninformed or misinformed. You can safely count on the intelligent, cordial co-operation of our seminary men.

922 IN SUNDAY SCHOOL AT GREENVILLE FIRST

Celebrating the First Anniversary in the New Educational Building the First Church, Greenville had in attendance at Sunday School, Sunday February 20, 922 and 215 in the Training Union.

For the past 6 months the average at Sunday School has been 824 and in Training Union 212. The church is progressing in a wonderful way under the leadership of Dr. E. D. Elliott. Each department is showing a steady growth.

During the past few weeks three young men have been called into the active ministry of the Baptist Church under his ministry and challenging messages.

Plans are being made now to have one of the largest Training Schools in its history to be held the latter part of March.

NO MONEY SPENT IN THE HOME is more wisely spent than that which buys good reading for your child. The school library and the public library are valuable allies. The church library also is making for itself a larger and larger place in the homes of the churches. . . Edith L. Ledbetter, HOME LIFE.